

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS :

1. An asset information management method of managing different kinds of asset information of a customer, each of the different kinds being registered in a corresponding database among a plurality of databases in which different types of retrieval data are used for retrieving information concerning the customer, the method comprising the steps of:

establishing integrated identification information in which the different types of retrieval data used in the respective databases are associated with an identifier unique to the customer; and

integrating and managing the different kinds of asset information using the integrated identification information.

2. The method according to claim 1, wherein the retrieval data in each of the databases associated with the identifier is acquired from the integrated identification information based on the identifier unique to the customer, and a corresponding kind of asset information of the customer is retrieved from said each database based on the retrieved data.

3. The method according to claim 2, further comprising the step of displaying the different kinds of retrieved asset information of the customer in said each database at a time.

4. The method according to claim 2, wherein the identifier unique

to the customer is matched with the retrieval data used in each of databases, and associated with the identifier, through a communication network.

5. The method according to claim 3, wherein the identifier unique to the customer is matched with the retrieval data used in each of databases, and associated with the identifier, through a communication network.

6. The method according to claim 1, wherein the identifier is created according to a code different from that of the retrieval data in said each database, and wherein every time a new customer registration is performed in at least one of the databases, retrieval data for the asset information of the customer are newly associated with the identifier to constitute the integrated identification information.

7. The method according to claim 2, wherein the identifier is created according to a code different from that of the retrieval data in said each database, and wherein every time a new customer registration is performed in at least one of the databases, retrieval data for the asset information of the customer are newly associated with the identifier to constitute the integrated identification information.

8. An asset information management system comprising:

- a plurality of databases wherein different kinds of asset information is registered with respect to each customer, said different kinds of asset information being retrieved by using different types of retrieval data;
- an integrated identification information database which contains integrated identification information in which the retrieval data of the databases for said each customer are associated with an identifier unique to said each customer and registered; and
- a database manager that integrates and manages the plurality of databases based on the retrieval data associated with the identifier used in the integrated identification information database.

9. The asset information management system according to claim 8, wherein the database manager identifies an identifier that has been specified with one of the identifiers registered in the integrated identification information database, and when the specified identifier is registered in the integrated identifier information database, at least one of the plurality of databases is retrieved by using the retrieval data associated with the specified identifier, and the corresponding asset information is retrieved from said at least one of the databases.

10. The asset information management system according to claim 9, further comprising a display controller that displays the

different kinds of retrieved asset information on a display device at a time.

11. The asset information management system according to claim 10, wherein the identifier is specified through a communication network, and the retrieved asset information is transmitted through the communication network and is displayed on the display device.

12. The asset information management system according to claim 8, wherein the identifier is created according to a code different from that of the retrieval data in said each database, and wherein every time a new customer registration is performed in at least one of the databases, retrieval data for the asset information of the customer are newly associated with the identifier to constitute the integrated identification information.

13. The asset information management system according to claim 9, wherein the identifier is created according to a code different from that of the retrieval data in said each database, and wherein every time a new customer registration is performed in at least one of the databases, retrieval data for the asset information of the customer are newly associated with the identifier to constitute the integrated identification information.

14. An integrated identification information database for asset information management, wherein retrieval data for each customer, which are used in a plurality of databases in which different kinds of asset information is registered, are associated with the identifier unique to said each customer, to provide integrated identification information.

15. The database according to claim 13, wherein the identifier is created according to a code different from that of the retrieval data in said each database, and wherein

every time a new customer registration is performed in at least one of the databases, retrieval data for the asset information of the customer are newly associated with the identifier to constitute the integrated identification information.

16. A data structure of integrated identification information for asset information management, wherein retrieval data for each customer, which are used in a plurality of databases in which different kinds of asset information is registered, are associated with a single identifier unique to said each customer.

17. The data structure according to claim 16, wherein the identifier is created according to a code different from that of the retrieval data in said each database, and wherein

every time a new customer registration is performed in at least one of the databases, retrieval data for the asset

information of the customer are newly associated with the identifier to constitute the integrated identification information.

18. A computer readable recording medium that records integrated identification information for use in asset information management, said integrated identification information having a data structure in which retrieval data for each customer, which are used in a plurality of databases in which different kinds of asset information is registered, are associated with a single identifier unique to said each customer.

19. The computer readable recording medium according to claim 18, wherein the identifier is created according to a code different from that of the retrieval data in said each database, and wherein every time a new customer registration is performed in at least one of the databases, retrieval data for the asset information of the customer are newly associated with the identifier to constitute the integrated identification information.